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BY FACSIMILE

Honorable George B. Daniels United States District Court Southern District of New York United States Courthouse 500 Pearl Street New York, New York 10007 SC WOLLOWD

The conference is rescheduled for May 28, 2008 at 9:45 a.m.

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IN. CORGE & DANIELS

Re: <u>United States v. Carmen Cicalese et al.</u> 07 Cr. 1125

Dear Judge Daniels:

The Government writes with regard to the status of the above-referenced case. A conference is presently scheduled for April 16, 2008, but the Government – after consulting with all defense counsel – proposes adjourning the conference as described in more detail below. Several defendants have indicated that they wish to plead guilty and the remainder need more time for plea discussions. Specifically, the Government proposes the following schedule (after consulting with your law clerk and defense counsel regarding available dates):

- April 29, 2008 9:30 a.m. plea of Federico Sementini; 10:00 plea of Carl Muraco
- April 30, 2008 10:15 a.m plea of Langhorn Carter Rorer
- May 6, 2008 10:00 a.m. plea of Marc Group; 10:30 a.m. potential plea or conference for Louis Santos
- May 8, 2008 10:00 a.m plea of Keith Eagle; 10:30 a.m. plea of Andrew Farro

With respect to defendants Julius Migdal and Patrick Cicalese, the Government is still engaged in plea discussions and these parties request a conference the week of May 26, 2008 o serve as a control date in the event that no plea is reached prior to that date.

In the event that any of the above dates are no longer convenient for the Court, I will be happy to arrange new dates with defense counsel and your law clerk.

The Government seeks an exclusion of time until a conference set during the week of May 26, 2008 (or at such time thereafter convenient for the Court) so that the parties can purs as

these discussions. I have spoken to counsel for each defendant, all of whom consent to an exclusion of time until the date of that defendant's scheduled plea or appearance. The Government submits that time should be excluded under 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(A) in the interests of justice is in the interests of justice and outweighs the needs of the defendants or public in a speedy trial.

Respectfully submitted,

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